(ii) Huge number of cases / applications.

(iii) Incomplete formalities / documents / non-payment of dues.

(iv) Disputes regarding title of property.

Efforts are made on a regular basis to clear the pending applications.

Metro Rail Project in Delhi

†5297. SHRI JHUMUK LAL BHENDIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the target set for completion of construction and operation of much-awaited Metro Rail Project in Delhi and the reasons for which progress of the project is hampered and the work is not gaining momentum at present;

(b) whether environmental restrictions are also affecting the progress of the work;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the names of those areas of Delhi which would be covered by metro-rail and the number of passengers likely to be benefited on completion of this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Phase-I of Delhi MRTS project is scheduled to be completed by March, 2005 and is progressing satisfactorily.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Phase-I MRTS will traverse the following routes:—

(i) Vishwa Vidalaya; Civil Lines—ISBT—Chawri Bazar—Connaught Place—Central Secretariat.

(ii) Shahdara—ISBT—Tis Hazari—Trinagar—Nangloi.

(iii) Sabzimandi—Azadpur—Holambi Kalan. (A proposal has been received from Delhi Metro Rail Corporation regarding substitution of this corridor by Trinagar—Barwala Corridor).

It is estimated that Delhi MRTS Phase-I, with Trinagar—Barwala Corridor, will cater to 19.5 lakh passenger trips per day.

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